Shenandoah University

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARP): Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III)

Student Portion

Report for quarter ended 9/30/2021

Shenandoah University signed and returned the certification and agreement for the CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund for Student Aid on April 11, 2020. The University certified that these funds will be distributed to eligible students as emergency financial aid grants for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19. The University was not required to provide a further certification under the ARP.

On April 20, 2020, Shenandoah University received $1,020,101 for CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund for Student Aid. These funds were distributed to students as emergency financial aid grants, as per the Department of Education’s (DOE’s) guidelines. Additional information can be found in the CARES Act Student Portion Final Report.

On January 19, 2021, Shenandoah University was awarded an additional $1,020,101 allocated for emergency financial aid grants to students as provided by the CRRSAA. These funds were distributed to students as emergency financial aid grants, as per the Department of Education’s (DOE’s) guidelines. Additional information can be found in the CRRSAA Act Student Portion Final Report.

On May 21, 2021, Shenandoah University was awarded an additional $2,737,662 allocated for emergency financial aid grants to students as provided by the ARP. According to the ARP guidelines of eligibility, 2,728 of Shenandoah University’s students were eligible to receive the CRRSAA emergency financial aid funding.

As of September 30, 2021, Shenandoah University had not yet distributed ARP Emergency Financial Aid Grants. Eligible full-time undergraduate and graduate students will be awarded amounts in October 2021 based on their Expected Family Contribution (EFC) which is used to determine federal aid eligibility. Shenandoah University utilizes this method of calculation to prioritize aid to its students with the greatest needs, while also ensuring that most of its eligible students received a Grant.